

## House Resolution 1831

By: Representatives Ashe of the 56<sup>th</sup> and Dean of the 59<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Gideons Elementary School; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Gideons Elementary School is singularly dedicated to the goal of educating  
3 children, and its accomplishments toward that goal are many and worthy of tribute; and

4 WHEREAS, the principal of Gideons Elementary School for 24 years, Armstead Salters, and  
5 the talented staff and faculty who have contributed to the school's outstanding achievements  
6 are influencing the course of our history through their dedication to our children's future; and

7 WHEREAS, Gideons Elementary School was recognized by Georgia's Superintendent of  
8 Education Kathy Cox for the school's excellent performance in the 2005  
9 Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests; and

10 WHEREAS, the third graders of Gideons Elementary School showed a 13.7 percent increase  
11 in their math scores and a 3.1 percent increase in their reading scores; while the fifth graders  
12 had a 6.6 percent increase in reading scores; and

13 WHEREAS, Gideons is located in Atlanta's historic Pittsburgh community near the Atlanta  
14 University Center and the student body is made up of approximately 503 students; and

15 WHEREAS, the administration, staff, and faculty have high expectations for each and every  
16 student, truly demonstrating that no child should be left behind and teaching by the school's  
17 motto "open hearts, open arms, and an open door, for every student is valued."

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 this body honors Gideons Elementary School for its outstanding achievements and  
20 contributions to the State of Georgia.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Gideons Elementary School  
3 and Principal Armstead Salters.